



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report

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12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 22-Dec-00 - Average retail and invoice prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A or better, white Large eggs in cartons, delivered store door (cents per dozen).

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
This week	99.63	88.27	93.87	113.37	101.44
Last week	93.37	80.36	85.13	104.18	93.49

Selected Cities Large - 22-Dec-00 New York 101-104 Chicago 91-96 California 119

Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory - 18-Dec-00 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

		North	South	South			Breaking	J
	Northeast	Central	Central	Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Stock	Total
Current week	118.5	209.1	100.2	180.6	182.7	791.1	359.2	1150.3
% change PW	-12	-8	-10	3	-8	-7	-1	-5

Breaking Stock 22-Dec-00 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	39-42 M 40-42	34-38
Checks & Undergrades	25-28	20-27.25 M 20-25

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 16-Dec-00.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

Previous week cases broken, liquid whole, dried, and inedible adjusted

	Cases	Liquid	Liquid	Liquid		
	Broken	Whole	White	Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,013,161	24,362	9,159	4,899	1,838	3,594
Previous Week	*1,103,159*	*26,741*	9,904	5,517	*2,361*	*3,899*
Last Year	1,197,215	27,472	11,206	6,834	2,755	3,942
% Change PW	-8	-9	-8	-11	-22	-8
% Change LY	-15	-11	-18	-28	-33	-9
To Date 2000	*58,190,278*	*1,328,224*	605,225	311,275	*136,948	*195,083*
To Date 1999	56,352,369	1,296,354	538,642	296,740	128,927	179,588

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE

Current Week: 41.47 Previous Week: 41.75 Last Year: 41.31

National Liquid Eggs - 22-Dec-00 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
Whole	15	30.5-33	31.15	.68
Whites	10	23-25	24.40	.72
Yolks	7	53-56	54.29	.56

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 57 to 59 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 22-Dec-00 - wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

	Trucklot		Less-than-Truck	:lot (min 25 cont.)
Class	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	48-50 M 48-49	48-49	54-56	55-58
${ t Blends}^3$	Too Few To Report	_	68-90	_
Whites	35-37	34-37 M 35-37	41-54	41-44
$Yolks^4$				
Sugared	67-71 M 69-71	69-71	70-74	76-79
Salted	64-69 M 66-68	66-68	67-70	73-76

² f.o.b. shipping point

National Dried Egg Prices - 22-Dec-00 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.65 - 1.90	1.75 - 1.85
Yolks	1.44 - 1.70	1.55 - 1.65
Albumen, Spray Dried	2.65 - 3.05	2.70 - 2.85
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.28 - 1.42	1.30 - 1.40

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 16-Dec-00 Fowl Slaughtered in U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered

This week	1,900	This week	361	This week	2,261
Last week	1,927	Last week	447	Last week	2,374
Last year	2,594	Last year	427	Last year	3,021
To Date 2000	94,278	To Date 2000	22,256	To Date 2000	116,534
To Date 1999	103,480	To Date 1999	22,840	To Date 1999	126,320

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Dec-00

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	99	0	76	175
Last year*	255	0	0	255
To date 2000	7,176	239	653	8,068
To date 1999	12,732	6	644	13,382

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Dec-00

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	150	28	76	254
Last year*	97	21	0	118
To date 2000	4,833	880	916	6,629
To date 1999	4,456	606	310	5,372

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Dec-00

	Jumbo	XLarge	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,900	7,525	1,780	6,960	900	19,065
Last year*	60	1,860	1,895	3,380	9,270	0	16,465
To date 2000	2,271	50,646	145,112	38,897	388,544	12,737	638,207
To date 1999	1,418	42,598	146,848	52,956	611,613	11,622	867,055
*Comparable week,	to-date	figures	may not to	tal due to	rounding.		

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

USDA BUYS: ALL PURPOSE EGG MIX; ENDS PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 400,000 pounds of all purpose egg mix packaged in 10-pound bags for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. This purchase--to be produced from about 29,000 cases of shell eggs from domestic production--was made at an approximate cost of \$638,000. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds Accepted	Awarded Prices Inv. No. 018	No. of Bids Accepted
all purpose egg mix(10-lb)	400,000	\$1.5690-\$1.6290	1 of 2

It was also announced that the purchase program for all purpose egg mix in 10-pound bags is now complete. However, please retain all documents pertaining to Announcement PY-218, as amended, for possible future purchases.

Total purchases of all purpose egg mix since the program was announced on April 29, 1998, follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
all purpose egg mix (6-oz)	4,248,000	\$7,714,000
all purpose egg mix (10-lb)	1,480,000	\$2,361,000

COMMODITY TYPE : EGG MIX, DRIED PACK SIZE : 4/10 LB BAG

CONTRACTOR NAME: SONSTEGARD FOODS COMPANY

PLANT ADDRESS : SIOUX CENTER IA

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PRICE PER	
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)	
001	PORT NEWARK	NJ	80,000	\$	1.5890
002	VINELAND	NJ	80,000	\$	1.5890
003	COLUMBUS	OH	20,000	\$	1.6090
	DAYTON	OH	20,000	\$	1.6090
004	ROANOKE	VA	40,000	\$	1.6190
005	MASON CITY	IA	20,000	\$	1.5690
	SIOUX CITY	IA	20,000	\$	1.5690
006	INDEPENDENCE	MO	80,000	\$	1.5790
007	NATIONAL CITY	CA	40,000	\$	1.6290

TOTAL AWARDED: 400,000

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, PO Box 96456, Washington, D.C. 20090-6456. An electronic version of this food purchase report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.